· Or the sigh of a river's flow. "My soul is full of a story told By a river that journeyed down Through valley and quiet meadow land And many a stately town.

And the great rocks, mossed and brown. "But she stopped her singing and sobbed one night,

While rain went down from the sky, -As if it pitied her sorrow so It would give her sympathy; While she told of a quiet forest nool . She ever went softly by.

"For the trees bent over with long, green arms To give her a blessing of love, And up through the shadows cool she saw

Where the sky arched far above, And the fleecy cloudlet moved across Like a sail or snowy dove. "A vouthful face with a golden frame

Of waving, shining hair, And bright eyes in a fringe of black, And a forehead broad and fair. Leaned over the river's edge one day And laughed at its image there.

"The river carried the picture fair For many and many a year, Till it came again-a man's face then-With the bright eyes dull and blear, And all wine-flushed and all accursed,

With a slavish look of fear. "A few months after it came once more, All haggard, with guilt and shame; Then & curse, and a shot, and a prayer were

heard.

And the light burned out of the sun-sick eyes, Like a quivering, smoldering flame.".

And the curse and the prayer were the

So the river carried the memory Of the faces, one in three, And told the tale as a secret To the restless heart of the sea; And the tinted shell on the mantel Brought back the story to me. -Lyttleton Sarage.

BESET BY BURGLARS.

In the fall of 1836 I was employed as a clerk in a general store at a cross roads in Southern Indiana. The store, a church, and a blacksmith shop, with two residences, made up the buildings, and country about was thickly settled up, trouble was soon solved. however, and trade was always good. Before the merchant engaged me he announced that I would have to sleep in pluck enough to defend the place him work it. Come on." against the marauders he did not want me at any price. He showed me a shotgun, a revolver, and a spring gun, which protected anted to sleep there alone.

farmer who was on his way home from | heard me call out : ur store was robbed on the highway. f I had not been a light sleeper from

never know what hurt him It did not seem possible that any one and then there was absolute silence. could break into the store without arous- think I stood in the door, shaking like a ing me. There was no door to my room, leaf, for fully three minutes before the and after the people in my neighborhood had gone to bed I could hear the slight- came to me that the robbers had fallen est noise in the store. I had looked the through the open door upon the cord place over for a weak spot, and had failed leading to the gun. I struck a match, to find it, but my own confidence came lighted my own candle, and, going to near proving my destruction. I should the opening, saw three bodies have told you, in describing the store, ing below. Running back to the that just over the spot where we set the bedroom to re-charge my revolver, I then spring gun was an opening through went down stairs to investigate. It was which we hoisted and lowered such goods as I suspected. The three had pitched as were stored for a time on the second down together. The top of one's head floor. When not in use this opening was had been blown off by the shot, a second covered by a trap door. Toward even- had a hole in his chest as big as your fist, ing, on the tenth day of my clerkship, I while the third, who was responsible for hoisted up a lot of pails and tubs, and the groans, was severely wounded in both had just finished when trade became so legs. brisk that I was called to wait upon cus- could be put on trial, and he then got tomers. Later on I saw that I had left four years in prison. The whole thing the trap door open, and I said to myself was a put up job. The "drover" was a that I would let it go until I went to bed. Chicago burglar called "Clawhammer The store had the only burglar proof safe Dick." and he had hidden himself in the for miles around, and it was customary store that night, and then let his pals in for the farmer who had a hundred dollars by the back door. They had a horse and or so to leave it with us. He received an | wagon in the rear of the building, and the envelope in which to enclose it, and he plan was to rob the store of goods as well could take out and put in as he liked. as to get at the money in the safe. A bit On this evening four or five farmers came of carelessness on my part not only saved in to deposit, and, as I afterward figured the store and probably my life, but

wiped out a very desperate gang .- New up, we had about \$1,500 in the safe. There were two strange faces in the York Sun. crowd that evening. One belonged to a roughly dressed, evil-eyed man, who announced himself as a drover, and the and we were also so busy up to 9 o'clock some charges in the day book, and it see it. It was rather a chilly night in Oc- Paris and Tours. tober, and we had no fires yet, and as I got under the blankets the warmth was ficial dispatches and about 1,000,000 priso grateful that I soon fell asleep. It was vate communications, representing a the first night I had gone to bed without money value of about \$38,000, were conthinking of robbers and wondering how veyed by these pigeons. In this case the I should act in case they came in. I did messages were reduced by microscopic not know when I fell asteep. Suddenly I photography so that a tiny piece of silk found myself half upright in bed, and there was an echo in the store as if the by one and one-quarter inches wide, md, and after a minute I heard a move-

Everything on the street was as silent A VERMIN EXTERMINATOR. as the grave. My window curtain was up, and I could see that the sky had thickened up and was very black. I did not wait for the noise to be repeated. I was just as sure that some one was in the store as if I had already seen him, and I crept softly out of bed, drew on my trousers, and moved out into the big room, having the revolver in my hand. There was no door at the head of the stairs. I intended to go there and listen down the stairway. As I was moving across the room, which was then pretty And sang of the flowers and vines and trees, clear of goods as far as the trapdoor, I suddenly recollected this opening and changed my course to reach it. It was terribly dark in the room, and one unfamiliar with the place would not have dared to move a foot. Half way to the trap I got down on hands and knees, and as I reached the opening, I settled down on my stomach. There was a dim light down stairs. That settled the fact that some one was in the store. After a minute I heard whispers, then the movement of feet, then a certain sound which located the intruders to a foot. They were at the safe in the front of the store. I for the bugs, is it?" drew myself forward and looked down being worked. My first thought was to eat it." drop my hand down and open fire in their direction, but I remembered that safe. I was wondering what to do when

I heard one of the men whisper: "It's all nonsense. We might work here a week and not hit it." "But I told you to bring the tools and

you wouldn't," protested another.
"Oh, dry up!" put in a third voice. "What we want to do is to go up and bring that counter hopper down and make him open the box." "I'll give the cussed thing a few more

trials," said the first man, and I heard him working away again. My eyes could not have told me the number of robbers, but my ears had. There were three of them, and they were no doubt desperate and determined men. They spoke of bringing me down to open the safe as if no resistance was anticipated or taken into account. Indeed, they might well The rain was now falling, the night was dwellings. If they had reflected that I might be armed, they would have offset it with the fact that I was a boy of in spite of me, but I was at the same time fully determined to protect the store if it the families of the merchant and the cost me my life. How to get at the felblacksmith were the only residents. The lows was what bothered me, but that

"There," whispered the man at the fool here another minute. That kid the store o' nights, and that unless I had knows the combination, and we can make

They are coming up stairs. The best place for me would be at the head of the stairway. The stairs had a half turn in were used, or on hand to be used, to dethem, and I would fire upon the first man end the place, and the windows were who came within range. I heard the with stout blinds and the men coming back to the stairway, and toor by double locks. The close of the my nerve gave way. It wasn't from cowvar had drifted a bad population into ardice, but the knowledge that I was to ndiana. The highways were full of kill a human being upset me. I decided ramps, and there were hundreds of men to retreat to my room, and, if they perwho had determined to make a living by sisted in coming that far, I would shoot. ome other means than labor. Several The trio had rubbers on their feet, but ttempts had been made to rob the store, they came up stairs without trying very nd it had come to pass that no clerk hard to prevent making a noise. The one who came first had the candle, and, as he answer I gave h'm, and on a certain knife in his other hand. They made no londay morning I went to work. That delay in approaching my room, and, ame night a store about four miles away with a great effort, I braced myself for 'as broken into and robbed and the what I saw must happen. They could lerk seriousl wounded. Two nights not see me until within three or four feet rats, roaches and bedbugs for a year?" ster three horses were stolen in our of the door, and their first intimation eighborhood. At the end of the week that I was out of bed was when they

"Stop, or I'll shoot!" I had them covered with the weapon abit, these occurrences would have and for fifteen seconds there was dead ended to prevent too lengthy dreams as silence. Then they got a plan. The man lay in my little bedroom at the front of | with the candle dashed it on the floor, and he second story. The revolver was I suppose they meant to rush in on me in Iways placed under my pillow and the the dark, but I checkmated it by opening vade the mansion of a prince with as hotgun stood within reach. The spring fire. They then either meant to retreat run was set about midway of the lower downstairs or toward the rear of the floor, will the lowest hovel in the Italian loor. It was a double-burreled shotgun, for I saw the three together moving off, sach barrel containing a big charge of and fired at their dim figures. Three buckshot, and the man who kicked the seconds rater there was a great shout of string and discharged the weapon would horror, followed by the tremendous report of the double-barrele l spring gun, silence was broken by a groan. Then it It was three months before he

Carrier Pigeons in War.

Steps have been taken in nearly all Euother as a professional tramp. I gave the ropean countries to establish military atter a piece of tobacco and some crack- communication by means of carrier ers and cheese and he soon went away, pigeons in time of war. England, riance, Germany, Belgium and Italy that I did not give the drover much at- have definitely organized military carrier tention. When we came to shut up the pigeon services, and some have subsidstore he had gone from my mind alto- ized the private training establishments We counted up the cash, made with the right to use the pigeons in war. This method of communicating origiwas about 10 o'clock when the merchant mate I in China, or, at least, in the east, dle and made the circuit of the store, set ancient Arabians. William of Orange the spring gun, and went to bed. I and Napoleon I. used these messengers had to pass within six feet of the trap during their wars; but the greatest serdoor as I went to my room, but I did not vice was that rendered in 1870, between

During the siege of Paris 150,000 ofpaper, one and three-quarter inches long of something, had aroused me. It could contain 3,500 messages of twenty one o'clock and I had been asleep al- words each, or 70,000 words. The total st three hours. Leaning on my elbow. dispatch thus arranged weighed at most ained my ears to catch the slightest less than one-quarter of an ounce, and was secured by a light thread to the tailment down stairs. While I could not feathers of the pigeon. Upon arrival the sy what it was, a sort of instinct told dispatch was removed, enlarged by phome that it was made by some human be- tography and deciphered. - Public Service

A TALK WITH A MAN WHO HAS A NOVEL OCCUPATION.

Making a Business of Ridding People's Houses of Rats and Vermin

-How He Works. The cockroach killer is one of the curiosities of Chicago. Not on account of his personal appearance, but of the novelty of his vocation. There are four or five persons who live by the death of cockroaches, rats and mice, but the best known is an old German, nearly 60 that wags its tail when his name is years of age, who has an office on Wash- called. ington street. A reporter of the Inter-Ocean found the old gentleman the other day in his place surrounded by the deadly floral jewelry. compounds he needs in his business.

"Eat all you want, it's rat poison," cordially said the old man, as the reporter picked up a box of paste. "That stuff in the red boxes is cockroach poison, and the bug poison is in the yellow packages

"What is food for the roaches is poison

"Yes. Bug poison won't kill cockthe opening. I could see a lighted can-roaches, cockroach poison won't kill bugs, safe, and I could hear the combination won't kill them, because they won't flannel dresses of any color. "How do you kill cockroaches?"

"We blow 'em up with powder-not the size of an average thumb-nail. we had so many articles hanging up that the kind of powder that kills men, no bullet had a chance of reaching to the though. See that funnel on the end of those bellows? Well, we put the powder in that, and then blow it through the nozzle into the cracks and crevices where he lives. He doesn't live long after. We kill bugs the same way, using the other powder.

"Pays pretty well, doesn't it?" work. We take contracts for cleaning past sixteen years about \$2,150,000 for hotels, restaurants, stores, dwelling missions. public institutions, bakeries, houses, coaches, etc., of bugs, roaches, water preceptress of the Brookings Agricultural bugs, moths or ants, forso much a year."
"How much?"

"That depends on the size and character of the place. To keep hotels clear is worth from \$40 to \$100 a year. We've quit taking hotel contracts, because they are unsatisfactory. The powder only reason that they had me at their mercy. kills the bugs or roaches that touch or eat it. Sometimes they hide in their holes very dark, and a pistol shot in the store where the powder won't reach them, but could not have been heard in either of the when they get hungry and come out the The trouble with powder fixes them. eighteen with a girl's face and probably s sweep up the powder before twenty-four moisture. girl's nerve. I don't deny that I was a hours have elapsed. They sweep it up bit rattled, and that my lip would quiver before we're out of the house fairly, and then they howl because we didn't kill all the bugs.

"You said the bug and roach powders were not poisonous, didn't you?"

"I'll show you," he said, taking a genpoisonous to men," he continued, "but it's because we don't breathe like bugs. They breathe like we perspire-through the pores. They have no lungs. The powder gets into the pores and closes them up, so they just die for want of breath. But a good many people die for the same reason, I guess. "How about restaurants?"

size; same way with saloons. Don't pointed girdle. know why it is, but saloons and printing offices are the favorite domain of the they have rounded, not pointed, toes, are Perhaps they're fond of pretzels and leather, are most used. er.

of our business. We prefer private resi- toward earrings displayed dences to any other class of buildings. I've been in the business fifteen years, and I've worked up an excellent trade. I have Phil Armour's house, Judge Tuthill's, and all the finest houses on the North, South and West sides. The roach is no respecter of persons. He will inmuch assurance and contentment as he

"What did you say you charged for private houses?"

"Well, say an average of \$10 a year for house in a year?"

shows his nose."

"Suppose a person doesn't wish to concharge then?"

exterminate?" "The moth. It gets into the lining of

garments and is difficult to reach. The powder will not destroy the pupa, even if covered with powder, nor when it hatches. the larvæ.

and they destroy carpets, leather, and The name of 'buffalo bug' has been applied to it because it was discovered in Buffalo, New York, and literally abounds there. It's working its way West, and will probably be here next spring."

ness, haven't you?" "No; there are four or five others. cialty of rats. He kills them with ferrets. Perhaps you've noticed a little carriage with a very highly polished black body rips up one or two planks, and lets the ferrets loose. They get there without delay, and when they've killed the rats he simply whistles, and they come runwould. He makes lots of money, I hear."

"None of you lose much, do you?" "Oh, we don't starve, but I can't remember a case where a man made a fortune killing bugs and roaches."

A Cure for Rheumatism.

The English Mechanic prints the following as a speedy cure for rheumatism: One quart of milk, quite hot, into which stir one ounce of alum; this will make curds and whey. Bathe the part affected with the whey until too cold. In the meantime keeps the curds hot, and, after bathing, put them on a poultice, wrap in flannel and go to sleep (you can). sure, even in aggravated cases.

NEWS AND NOTES FOR WOMEN.

Changeable velvets will be much worn this fall.

Feathers will drive flowers from bonnets this fall.

Beaded materials continue as much in favor as ever. It is said that polonaises and redingotes

are to prevail in the immediate future. It is predicted that long velvet redinotes, with satin shirts, will be extensively A Texas woman has a pet alligator

Phloxes and lantanas are old-fashioned flowers, lately imitated in the fashionable

Beads about the size of a pea made of Swiss lapis lazuli are favorite necklaces for young girls.

Brunettes should not wear pearls, but

they have the exclusive right to amethysts and rubies. New for bonnet trimmings are bands of feathers, arranged for winding around

the hat like braid. White felt sailor hats, with a white dle and two or three dark figures at the and both of 'em won't kill rats; rat paste band around the crown, are worn with

A Florida woman has made a bed quilt containing 16,000 pieces, each less than

Clusters of nuts intermingled with tulle are a novel of trimming sometimes seen upon Leghorn and Manilla hats. There are only eleven different sorts of point lace in existence, and several of

these never find their way to this country. The women of the Presbyterian Church "Oh, fairly. Most of it is contract of this country have raised during the

Miss Minnie E. Folsom, a near relative steamboats, railroad sleeping cars or of Mrs. Grover Cleveland, has become

College in Dakota. The Princess of Wales and other English women of fashion are wearing Leghorn bonnets, trimmed with large flowers, poppies, artemisias or roses.

The belle of West Virginia is said to be Miss Nannie Reynolds, of Charlestown. She is twenty years old, and a perfect representative of the mountain beauty.

waterproof bonnet, which is handsome hotel people is that they won't obey in- and dressy enough for almost any occastructions, and close the rooms and not sion, and is absolutely impervious to Military styles will predominate in the jackets of next season. They will be

Mrs. Floyd, of Boston, has invented a

adorned with Brandebourgs, frogs, fourageres and regular aiguilletes tagged with metal. Blouse waists are very popular, and a

pretty firm belt for them is made by "There," whispered the man at the combination as he let go of it, "I won't his tongue and swallowing it. "It's not times round the waist and tying it through a heavy antique silver buckle. Jet handkerchiefs are the latest idiocy.

They are of net lace, with jet embroidered borders. When the jet wears off they may be utilized as dusting cloths, but that is all the use that can ever be made of them.

French advices state that the polonaise "They're good contracts, next to pri- increases in numbers and favor over all vate houses. I've cleaned a number of other styles of corsages. Made of thin restaurants for over ten years. They are materials they are sometimes loose, crossed worth from \$10 to \$40; depends on the on the bust, the waist being defined by a Low shoes are very generally worn;

cockroach. Maybe there's something in laced across the instep, and have medium the coincidence, but mind you I don't high heels. Dull kid uppers with patent-The merchant seemed satisfied with he got to the head of the stairs, I saw a say they're carried from one to the oth- leather foxing, or at least tips of patent Earrings, while not entirely out of

"Do you make contracts and guaran- fashion, are not worn nearly so much as tee to keep private residences free from they were a few years ago, and unless It is very easily domesticated when once one possesses a diamond set for state caught, and soon learns to whistle, sing "Why, bless you, that's the main part occasions there is very little interest and talk. It imitates the human voice four business. We prefer private resitoward earrings displayed.

Small, short curls are again worn on the back hair, sometimes with a coil or a Psyche knot, and again forming all the back of the coiffure. Nets of beads and of silver or gilt cord for holding the back hair are worn by Parisiennes. Boston has a temperance club exclu-

sively for young unmarried women. Miss Julia Surpluss, Treasurer of the organization, says no member is permitted to accept the attentions of a man who drinks, no matter how moderately.

When sashes are worn with basques bugs and roaches. Rats are \$10 extra." they follow the outline of the front, and How many trips do you make to a may be folded narrow and flat, or left 'wide or loose, as is more becoming to the "Usually one; rarely more than two. wearer. The loops pass under the Of course, I go every time a bug or roach position, making the back very bouf-

Queen Victoria is mourning the death tract for a whole year. What do you of her old nurse, Miss Skerritt, who recently passed away at the mature age of "For each bedroom, guaranteed for a ninety-four. Miss Skerritt had seen year, \$1.50; if I simply powder the room, service under Queens Charlotte and Adelaide; and had nursed Queen Vic-"Which insect or vermin is hardest to toria, the Prince of Wales, and other royal children.

New York's Millionaires. The number of millionaires in the but the powder must be applied fresh to country has steadily increased, and the number of poor men has been made to "A new bug has made its appearance increase with them, though in a ten-fold in Chicago within the last two years. ratio. The almshouse records show this We call it the sewer bug, because it latter fact, and a recent statement of the breeds in the sewers, and through them number of millionaires, even in New gets into the houses. They are hard to kill, York city alone, indicates the correctness of the former. There are scores of clothing. They are a species of beetle, but men there whose wealth ranges from have no wings. This summer another \$1,000,000 to \$10,000,000 each, and many new bug has made its appearance in the who go beyond either of these figures. East. It has not reached Chicago yet. John Jacob Astor is probably the wealthiest man in the metropolis, his possessions being estimated at \$200,-000,000. Jay Gould is thought to come next in rank, and there are those who judge him to be the wealthier of the two. "You have a monopoly in your busi- Estimates as to other New Yorkers are interesting. Cornelius Vanderbilt, \$100,-000,000; W. R. Vanderbilt, \$90,000,000; Then there's a man who makes a spe- Russell Sage, \$60,000,000; Winslow, Lanier & Co., \$30,000,000; D. O. Milis, Whitelaw Reid's father-in-law, \$20,000,-000; Pierrepont Morgan, \$18,000,000; and the words 'Death to Rats' in gilt Bob Garrett, \$20,000,000; Fred Vanderletters on the sides. The box is full of bilt, \$15,000,000; Sydney Dillon, \$10,air holes, and in it he has about a dozen | 000,000; Addison Cammack, \$8,000,000; ferrets. He goes to a store, for instance, John Rockafeller, the Standard Oil man, \$10,000,000; Hi Rockafeller, his brother, \$8,000,000; August Belmont, \$20,000, 000; Cyrus W. Field, \$10,000,000; Deacon S. V. White, member elect of ning to him just like a well-trained dog the new Congress, \$7,000,000; R. P. Flower. \$6,000,000; Wash Connor, Jay Gould's old broker, who has just married the divorced wife of the ex-lottery king. Simmons, \$3,000,000; Victor Newcome, \$4,000,000: Henry Hart, who is manipulating Pacific Mail, \$10,000,000; Oswald Ottendorfer, editor of the Stants Zeitung, \$5,000,000; James Gordon Bennett, of the Herald, \$10,000,000; Austin Corbin, \$30,000,000; Erastus Winan, \$3,000,-

The foot stove of our ancestors has a descendant in the muff warmer, which will be fashionable next winter. It is a small silver box, containing a fuse of some slowly burning material, which is Three applications should be a perfect to be carried in the must to warm the fingers of beauty during shopping tours.

000 .- Manchester (N. H.) Union.

HIGH PRICES FOR BIRDS

PETS COST.

One Parrot Worth \$250-The Mine the Highest Priced of All Birds-Talk With a Dealer. Fifty dollars reward for the return of

a gray African parrot was an offer re-

cently made in an advertisement that attracted considerable attention. Fifty dollars seemed to most people a good deal to offer for one parrot, and the general opinion was that some rich woman had lost her pet, and didn't care how much she spent to get it back. Whether that particular parrot was ever found has not been announced, but \$50 was not such a terribly big price to bid for its re turn, after all, if it was much of a bird. according to Donald Burns, who ought to know what he is talking about for he has dealt in birds, retail, wholesale, and every other way all his life. He was busy in his store down by the docks in Roosevelt street unpacking a consignment of several hundred nasty little green baby parrots just received, when he told a Sun reporter that even those birds were worth from \$5 to \$10 aniece, and that good talking parrots brought prices up into the hundreds of dollars. He had then only one "talker" in the shop, and that he had refused \$250 for. The is an ugly gray one, with red markings, and sat up on its perch gazing with calm scorn upon the screeching mass of green young ones crowded into the boxes on the floor. Mr. Burns has had this bird for thirty years, and it isn't for sale at any price, but \$250 is about what it is fairly worth, according to parrot experts. This is pretty high for a parrot, but not higher than many of them have been sold for. The value of parrots, however, is, in a majority of cases, fixed a great deal according to the whim of the owners, as the birds generally attain most of their accomplishments while in the hands of persons who keep them and value them as pets and not as merchandise. Really good parrots are hard to get, although there are 30,000 of the birds imported into this city every year. They cannot be bred here. They are brought in chiefly by dealers, who send their agents to South America to get the birds and attend them on the passage hither. Nearly one-third of those imported die on the dealers' hands. Almost all of them are is said never to be finer in quality. the common green creaking things that never amount to much more than a nui-

The best talkers, the most tractable. and the highest priced parrots are the gray ones, which come from the West the deadly car stove this winter. African coast. They are ash-gray in color, and have scarlet tails and yellow markings. They live to be 70 years old, and sometimes it is said have reached even 90 years.

"The macaws, big, gorgeous, scarlet birds, are a sort of parrot. They are pretty to look at from a distance, they can't talk any to speak of. sell for \$25 or more, however, and re not very plenty. Cockatoos and other birds similar in decoration and general construction to the macaws fetch large prices, but are graded much according to the willingness to pay of the man who wants to buy them. "There is but one bird dealt in by the

regular trade, barring, of course, ostrichs and similar animals, that is worth more than the talking parrot. That is the mino bird. The mino bird belongs to the starling family, and when it is at home lives in Java, Sumatra, and other East Indian summer re-orts. It stays in pairs or small parties at the tops of high trees in the jungles, and is very hard to capture. It is a plump bird, about ten inches long, with velvety black plumage, with green, blue and purple reflections. Mr. Burns has received as high as \$400 for a mino bird, and they have

been sold for even more. "Fancy prices, however, are not confined to really valuable birds. Ordinary song birds, canaries, mocking birds, and others often bring prices regulated by the size of a lady's purse, and the extent of her whim. Such a little thing as price doesn't interfere with trade when a rich woman sees a bird she wants."-Now

Pigmies in Africa. Ronzo de Leo, who traveled many years

in Africa with Dr. Livingston, was one who almost stood out alone in the assertion that a race of dwarfs lived in Central Africa. In his lectures in America he told of a little people who fled to the clefts of the rocks when the explorers approached. C. Eugene Wolff, who traveled many years with Stanley, and who is now in the city, gives some queer accounts of these dwarfs. "On the southern branches of the Congo," said he to an Examiner reporter, "I have seen whole villages of these Liliputians. They are a generous little people, who live in rude huts and clear ground, engaging in varied sorts of agriculture. They are also skilled hunters and they make palm wine. They are as lithe and supple in climbing trees as monkeys or baboons, although they are physically as perfect men as any of the giant tribes thereabout, and they know as much. The men are not over four feet and a half high, while the women are a good deal smaller. These tiny little men are both brave and cunning. They are experts with the bow and arrow and readily bring down the African bison, antelope and even elephants with them. As trappers of small animals they are unsurpassed. In a close pinch they use the lance with astonishing dexterity, and an ordinary sling in their hands is wielded with wonderful skill. The dwarfs collect the sap of the palm, with which they make soap. The men are smooth-faced and of a rich mahogany color, while the hair is short, kinky and as black as night. Tens of thousands of them live on the south branch of the Congo. They are an affable, kind-hearted people, of simple ways and devoid of vicious tendencies to a greater degree than most semi-barbaric races. The women are industrious and amiable. Very queer these people look alongside the great swarthy blacks further up on the Congo. The latter are of prodigious size, uncouth, rude to the remotest degree and cannibalistically inclined. The dwarfs stand in awe of them, but are so brave and cunning that. with all the odds of physique against them, the pigmies are masters of the situation."-San Francisco Examiner

Jack Blunt once loved a maid whose hair

Two Wooers.

With terra cotta might compare.
"My heart beats but for you," he said; "No matter if your hair is red, With me the color has no heft"— And he got left. George Smoothly later came to woo.

Said he with passion tender, true, "I love you, and all that is you; Those locks of dainty golden hair
The sunlight kiss d and lingered there—
I'd give my all for one wee curl."

He got the girl.

—Washington Critic.

MINOR MISCELLANY.

The carpenter is perhaps the most suc-WHAT SOME OF THE FEATHERED cessful boarding house keeper on record. President Cleveland has accepted an

invitation from the Hibernian Society of Philadelphia to be present for a brief time at its banquet on the afternoon of the 17th inst.

Mrs. Langtry is building a cottage on the shores of Lake Tahoe, California. Tahoe is one of the most beautiful sheets of water in existence. It is 6,200 feet above the level of the sea.

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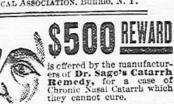
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